## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 84-59 NPDES NO. CA0038598

REISSUING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR:

SEWER AUTHORITY MID-COASTSIDE, CITY OF HALF MOON BAY, MONTARA SANITARY DISTRICT, GRANADA SANITARY DISTRICT, SAN MATEO COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, (hereinafter called the Board) finds that:

- 1. Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside (hereinafter referred to as SAM) was formed by City of Half Moon Bay, Granada Sanitary District, and Montara Sanitary District in a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement dated February 3, 1976, to exercise jointly the common power to perform all functions for the collection, treatment and disposal of wastewater including the acquisition and construction of new facilities. These four entities are collectively referred hereinafter as dischargers.
- 2. The dischargers have previously been issued permits for their individual facilities and regional facility by this Board under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) in the Orders indicated:

Discharger	NPDES No.	Order Nos.
Granada Sanitary District, San Mateo County	CA0037478	74-186 75-40 77-58 79-112 81-25
City of Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County	CA0037460	74-194 76-116 79-72 79-112 81-25
Montara Sanitary District, San Mateo County	CA0037486	74-187 75-39 77-57 79-112 81-25
Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside, San Mateo County	CA0038598	79-35

3. The individual Montara, Granada, and Half Moon Bay discharges ceased in September 1983 when flow was diverted to the new SAM treatment plant and deepwater outfall in Half Moon Bay. Since that time, the joint discharge has been regulated by the SAM permit.

- 4. The dischargers submitted a report of waste discharge dated December 16, 1983 for reissuance of NPDES Permit No. CA0038598.
- 5. The discharger presently discharges an average dry weather flow of 1.3 million gallons per day (mgd) from its secondary treatment plant which has a dry weather design capacity of 2.0 mgd. This plant treats domestic and some commercial wastewater from the named City and Sanitary Districts. The treated wastewater is discharged into the Pacific Ocean, a water of the State and United States, west of Pilarcitos Creek through a submerged diffuser about 1900 feet offshore at a depth of 42 feet below mean lower low water. (Latitude 37 deg., 28 min., 23 sec.; Longitude 122 deg., 27 min., 0 sec.).
- 6. The discharge is presently governed by Waste Discharge Requirements, Order No. 79-35 which allows discharge into the Pacific Ocean.
- 7. The State Water Resources Control Board, in November 1983, adopted the revised "Water Quality Control Plan for the Ocean Waters of California" which contains water quality objectives for the Pacific Ocean.
- 8. The beneficial uses of the Pacific Ocean are:
  - Water contact and Non-contact water recreation
  - ° Wildlife Habitat
  - ° Preservation of Rare and Endangered Species
  - Marine Habitat
  - ° Fish migration and spawning
  - ° Industrial service supply
  - ° Shellfish Harvesting
  - ° Navigation
  - Commercial and Sport Fishing
- 9. An Operations and Maintenance Manual is maintained by the discharger for purposes of providing plant and regulatory personnel with a source of information describing all equipment, facilities, and recommended operating strategies, process control monitoring, and maintenance activities. In order to remain a useful and relevant document, this manual should be kept updated to reflect significant changes in plant facilities or activities.
- 10. This Order serves as an NPDES permit, adoption of which is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21100) of Division 13 of the Public Resources Code (CEQA) pursuant to Section 13389 of the California Water Code.
- 11. The discharger and interested agencies and persons have been notified of the Board's intent to reissue requirements for the existing discharge and have been provided with the opportunity for a public hearing and the opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- 12. The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the discharger in order to meet the provisions contained in Division 7 of the California Water Code and regulations adopted thereunder and the provisions of the Clean Water Act as amended and regulations and guidelines adopted thereunder shall comply with the following:

## A. Discharge Prohibitions

- 1. Bypass or overflow of untreated or partially treated wastewater to waters of the State either at the treatment plant or from any of the collection system and pump stations tributary to the treatment plant is prohibited.
- 2. The average dry weather flow shall not exceed 2.0 mgd. Average shall be determined over three consecutive dry months each year.
- 3. Discharge within 1000 feet offshore from the extreme low waterline is prohibited.
- 4. The discharge of waste effluents in a manner which does not provide sufficient initial dilution to minimize the concentrations of substances not removed in the treatment is prohibited.
- 5. The discharge of municipal and industrial waste sludge directly to the ocean, or into a waste stream that discharges to the ocean, is prohibited. The discharge of sludge digester supernatant directly to the ocean, or into a waste stream that discharges to the ocean without further treatment is prohibited.

## B. Effluent Limitations

1. Effluent discharged shall not exceed the following limits:

	Constituents	<u>Units</u>	30-day Average	7—day Average	Maximum Daily	Instan- taneous <u>Maximum</u>
a.	Settleable Matter	m1/1-hr	0.1			0.2
	BOD <sub>5</sub> or	mq/1	30	45	60	****
	Carbonaceous BOD5(1)	mq/1	25	40	50	2000
	Total Suspended					
	Solids	mg/l	30	45	60	
đ.	Oil & Grease	mg/1	10	****		20
e.	Total Chlorine					
	Residual (2)	mg/1	por		-	0.0
£.	Turbidity	UĽN	15	20	30	
	Toxicity Concentration	tu	1.5	2.0	2.5	direct

- (1) Effective upon its promulgation in a new secondary treatment definition.
- (2) Requirement defined as below the limit of detection in standard test methods.

- 2. The arithmetic mean of the biochemical oxygen demand (5-day, 20°C) and suspended solids values, by weight for effluent samples collected in a period of 30 consecutive calendar days shall not exceed 15 percent of the arithmetic mean of the respective values, by weight, for influent samples collected approximately the same times during the same period (85 percent removal).
- 3. The pH of the discharge shall not exceed 9.0 nor be less than 6.0.
- 4. If the discharger elects to document compliance with the coliform receiving water limitation exclusively in the effluent and so notifies the Board, in writing, the frequency of receiving water coliform monitoring will be reduced accordingly and the following effluent limitations will apply:

The moving median value for the MPN of total coliform in any five (5) consecutive effluent samples shall not exceed 2400 coliform organisms per 100 milliliters. Any single sample shall not exceed 24,000 MPN/100 ml.

During the wet weather months of October through April inclusive, effluent shall not exceed a five sample moving median of 24,000 MPN/100 ml.

5. Representative samples of the effluent shall not exceed the following limits:(c)

Constituent	Unit of Measurement	6-Month <u>Median</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Instan- taneous Maximum
Arsenic	mg/l	0.01	0.04	0.1
Cadmium	mg/1	0.02		0.2
Chromium (Hexavalent)	mg/1	0.005	0.02	0.05
see below, (b)	/7	0.0	0.0	2.0
Copper	mg/1	0.2	0.8	2.0
Lead	mg/1	0.1	0.4	1.0
Mercury	mg/l	0.001	0.004	0.01
Nickel	mg/1	0.1	0.4	1.0
Silver	mg/1	0.02		0.2
Zinc	mg/l	0.3	1.2	3.0
Cyanide	mg/1	0.1	0.4	1.0
Ammonia (expressed as nitrogen)	mg/l	40	160	400
Phenolic Compounds (non-chlorinated)	mg/l	0.5	2.0	5.0
Chlorinated Phenolics (a)	mg/l	0.12	0.48	1.20
Aldrin and Dieldrin (a)	ug/1	0.24		0.72
Chlordane and Related	ug/l	0.36	0.72	1.08
Compounds (a)	97			
DDT and Derivatives (a)	uq/1	0.12	0.24	0.36
Endrin (a)	ug/l	0.24	0.48	0.72
HCH (a)	ug/l	0.48		1.44
PCBs (a)	ug/l	0.36	0.72	1.08

Constituent	Unit of <u>Measurement</u>	6-Month <u>Median</u>	Daily <u>Maximum</u>	Instan- taneous <u>Maximum</u>
Toxaphene (a) Radioactivity	ug/l Not to exc Title 17, Group 3, 7 the Calife	ceed limit Chapter 5 Article 3,	s specifi , Subchap Section	ed in ter 4, 30269 of

- (a) Based on Ocean Plan criteria using a minimum initial dilution of 119:1. If actual dilution is found to be less than 119:1, these values will be recalculated.
- (b) Dischargers may at their option meet this limitation as a total chromium limitation.
- (c) If the discharger is unable to comply with these limitations and can show good cause for such failure, the Board will consider modification of these limits.

## C. Receiving Water Limitations

- 1. Floating particulates and grease and oil shall not be visible.
- 2. The discharge of waste shall not cause esthetically undesirable discoloration of the ocean surface.
- 3. Natural light shall not be significantly reduced at any point outside the initial dilution zone as the result of the discharge of waste.
- 4. The rate of deposition of inert solids and the characteristics of inert solids in ocean sediments shall not be changed such that benthic communities are degraded.
- 5. The dissolved oxygen concentration shall not at any time be depressed more than 10 percent from that which occurs naturally, as the result of the discharge of oxygen demanding waste materials.
- 6. The pH shall not be changed at any time more than 0.2 units from that which occurs naturally.
- 7. The dissolved sulfide concentration of waters in and near sediments shall not be significantly increased above that present under natural conditions.
- 8. The concentration of substances set forth in Chapter IV, Table B of the "Water Quality Control Plan for Ocean Waters of California" dated November 1983, in marine sediments shall not be increased to levels which would degrade indigenous biota.
- 9. The concentration of organic materials in marine sediments shall not be increased to levels which would degrade marine life.

- 10. Nutrient materials shall not cause objectionable aquatic growths or degrade indigenous biota.
- 11. Marine communities, including vertebrate, invertebrate, and plant species, shall not be degraded.
- 12. The natural taste, odor, and color of fish, shellfish, or other marine resources used for human consumption shall not be altered.
- 13. Discharge of radioactive waste shall not degrade marine life.
- 14. The following bacteriological limits shall not be exceeded throughout the water column (a) within a zone bounded by the shoreline and either the 30-foot depth contour or a distance of 1,000 feet from the shoreline, whichever is greater; and (b) in areas outside this zone used for body contact recreation:

Parameter Applicable to any 30-Day Period	Total Coliform Organisms (MPN/100 ml)	Fecal Coliform Organisms (MPN/100 ml)
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**90% of Samples	THE PERSON NAMED	400
80% of Samples	1,000	
*Maximum	10,000	<u> </u>

<sup>\*</sup>Verified by a repeat sample taken within 48 hours.

15. The discharge shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standard for receiving waters adopted by the Board or the State Water Resources Control Board as required by the Clean Water Act and regulations adopted thereunder. If more stringent applicable water quality standards are promulgated or approved pursuant to Section 303 of the Clean Water Act, or amendments thereto, the Board will revise and modify this Order in accordance with such more stringent standards.

#### D. Provisions

- 1. This requirements prescribed by this Order supersede the requirements prescribed by Order No. 79-35. Order Nos. 81-25, 79-112, 79-72, 79-35, 77-58, 77-57, 76-116, 75-40, 75-39, 74-194, 74-187 and 74-186 are hereby rescinded.
- 2. The discharger shall comply with all sections of this Order immediately upon adoption.
- 3. The discharger shall comply with the self-monitoring program as adopted by the Board and as may be amended by the Executive Officer.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Applicable to any 60-Day period.

- 4. The discharger shall comply with all items of the attached "Standard Provisions, Reporting Requirements and Definitions" dated April 1977. Standard Provision C.2 is revised to read as follows:
  - 2. The "30-day, or 7-day, average" discharge is the total discharge by weight during 30 or 7 consecutive calendar day periods, respectively, divided by the number of days in the period that the facility was discharging. Where less than daily sampling is required by this permit, the 30-day or 7-day average discharge shall be determined by the summation of all the measured discharges by weight divided by the number of days during the 30 or 7 consecutive calendar day period when the measurements were made. For other than 7-day or 30-day periods, compliance shall be based on the average of all measurements made during the specified period.
- 5. Where concentration limitations in mg/l are contained in this permit, the following mass emission limitations shall also apply as follows:
  - Mass Emission Limit in  $kg/day = Concentration limit in <math>mg/l \times 3.79 \times Actual Flow in mgd averaged over the time interval to which the limit applies.$
- 6. The discharger shall review and update his Operations and Maintenance Manual annually, or in the event of significant facility or process changes, shortly after such changes have occured. Annual revisions, or letters stating that no changes are needed, shall be submitted to the Regional Board by April 15 of each year. A time schedule for completion of the initial revision shall be submitted October 15, 1984. Documentation of operator input and review shall accompany each annual update.
- 7. The discharger shall review and update by April 15 annually its contingency plan as required by Board Resolution No. 74-10. The discharge of pollutants in violation of this Order where the discharger has failed to develop and/or implement a contingency plan will be basis for considering such discharge a willful and negligent violation of this Order pursuant to Section 13387 of the California Water Code.
- 8. Production and use of reclaimed water is subject to the approval of the Board. Production and use of reclaimed water shall be in conformance with reclamation criteria established in Chapter 3, Title 22, of the California Administrative Code and Chapter 7, Division 7, of the California Water Code. An engineering report pursuant to section 60323, Title 22, of the California Administrative Code is required and a waiver or water reclamation requirements from the Board is required before reclaimed water is supplied any use, or to any user, not specifically identified and approved in this Order.
- 9. The discharger shall prepare a Collection System and Wet Weather Flow Management Plan to be approved by the Board and amended, as necessary, to the satisfaction of the Executive Officer according to the following schedule:

	<u>Task</u>	Compliance Date	Date Report Due
a.	Submit Wet Weater Flow Management Plan, acceptable to the Executive Officer, for sewer maintenance, repair, and replacement and other facility construction to reduce, control, or eliminate excessive wet weather flows and overflows. Quarterly status reports shall be submitted during development of this plan.	July 1, 1985	December 15, 1984 March 15, 1985 (Quarterly Status Reports) July 15, 1985 (Final Report)
b.	Submit annual progress reports quantifying any sewerage system improvements and their impacts on compliance, wet weather flow quantity, overflow/bypass frequency, and summarizing proposed actions for coming year.	July 1 (each year from 1985 until full compliance is acheived)	July 15 (each year)

Nothing in this schedule shall eliminate the need for compliance with secondary treatment for all discharges.

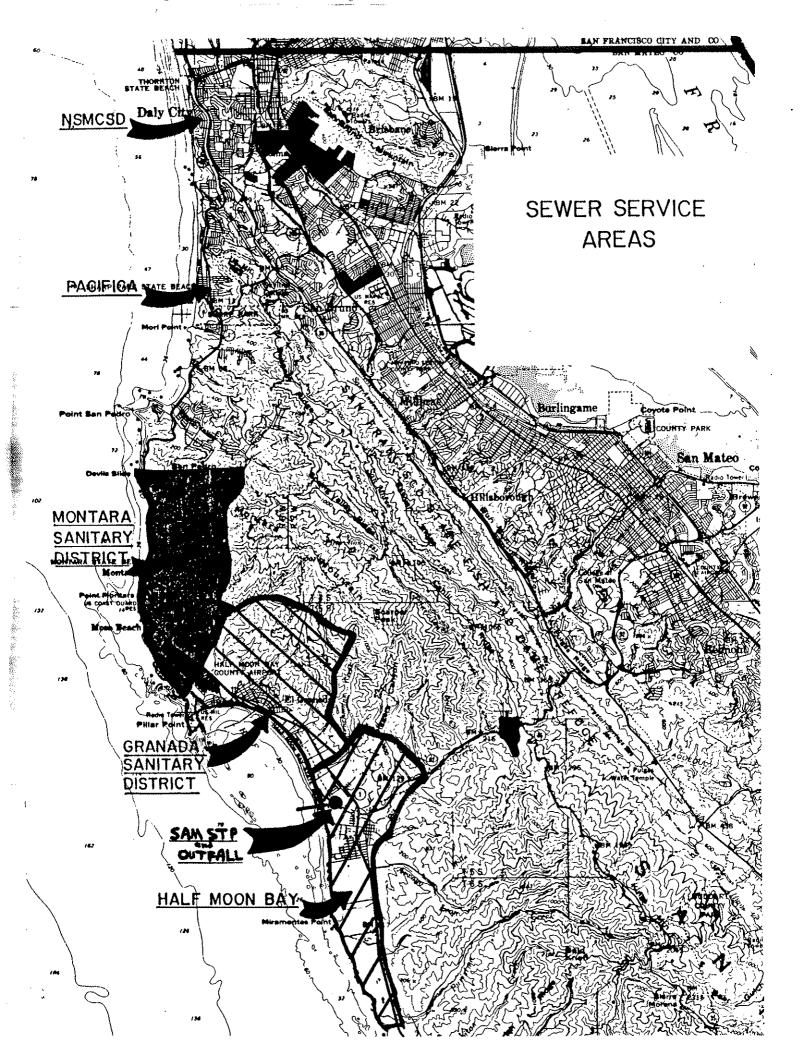
- 11. This Order expires September 19, 1989. The discharger must file a report of waste discharge in accordance with Title 23, Chapter 3, Subchapter 9 of the California Administrative Code not later than 180 days in advance of such expiration date as application for issuance of new waste discharge requirements.
- 12. This Order shall serve as National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Pennit pursuant to Section 402 of the Clean Water Act or amendments thereto, and shall becomes effective 10 days after date of its adoption provided the Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, has no objection. If the Regional Administrator objects to its issuance, the pennit shall not become effective until such objection is withdrawn.

I, Roger B. James, Executive Officer do hereby certify the foregoing is full, true and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region on September 19, 1984.

ROGER B. JAMES Executive Officer

Attachments:

Standard Provision & Reporting Requirements, April 1977 Self-Monitoring Program Resolution 74-10



# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

## TENTATIVE

## SELF-MONITORING PROGRAM FOR

Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside
San Mateo County
NPDES NO. CA0038598
ORDER NO. 84-59
CONSISTS OF
PART A, dated January 1978
and
PART B

#### PART B

#### SEWER AUTHORITY MID-COASTSIDE

## I. DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLING STATIONS

#### A. INFLUENT AND INTAKE

Station

Description

A-001

At any point in the treatment facilities headworks at which all waste tributary to the system is present, preceding any phase of treatment, and exclusive of any return

flows or process sidestreams.

B. EFFLUENT

Station

Description

E-001

At any point in the treatment facilities between the point of discharge and the point at which all waste tributary to that

outfall is present following

dechlorination.

E-001-D

At any point in the treatment facilities after disinfection is complete and prior

to dechlorination.

C. RECEIVING WATERS

Station

Description

C-1,2,3, and C-R

Identical to locations used in Pre-discharge Monitoring Program (see

report dated November 1981).

D. LAND OBSERVATIONS

Station

Description

P-l thru P-'n' Located along the periphery of the waste treatment or disposal facilities, at equidistant intervals, not to exceed 500 feet. (A sketch showing the locations of

these stations will accompany each

report.)

#### E. OVERFLOWS AND BYPASSES

### Station

## Description

OV-1 thru OV-'n' Bypass or overflows from manholes, pump stations, or collection system.

NOTE:

Initial SMP report to include map and description of each known bypass or overflow location, and report on pump station alarms, pumping capacity, upstream storage capacity and bypass location.

Reporting - Shall be submitted monthly and include date, time and period of each overflow or bypass and measures taken or planned to prevent future occurrences (see Part A, Section F.2.).

## II. SCHEDULE OF SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS

A. The Schedule of sampling and analysis shall be that given as Table I.

I, Roger B. James, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing Self-Monitoring Program:

- 1. Has been developed in accordance with the procedure set forth in this Regional Board's Resolution No. 73-16 in order to obtain data and document compliance with waste discharge requirements established in Regional Board Order No.
- 2. Is effective on the date shown below.
- 3. May be reviewed at any time subsequent to the effective date upon written notice from the Executive Offer or request from the discharger and revisions will be ordered by the Executive Officer.

ROGER	Β.	JAMES
Execut	ive	e Officer

Effective	Date
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Attachments:

Table I and Legend for Table

Order No. 84-59

TABLE 1

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### TYPES OF SAMPLES

G = qrab sample

C-24 = composite sample - 24-hour

Cont = continuous sampling

0 = observation

S = shellfish

### TYPES OF STATIONS

A = treatment facility influent stations

E =waste effluent stations

C = receiving water stations
P = treatment facilities perimeter stations

OV = overflows and bypasses Misc. Obsv. = Miscellaneous Observations

#### FREQUENCY OF SAMPLING

2/H = twice per hour 28 = every 2 hours E = each occurence2/W = 2 days per week 2D = every 2 days H = once each hour 2W = every 2 weeks 3M = every 3 months 5/W = 5 days per week D = once each day 2/M = 2 days per month 2/y = once in March and once in September W =once each week M = once each month Cont = continuous Y = once each year

Q = quarterly, once in March, June, Sept. and December

- 1/ During any day when bypassing occurs from any treatment unit(s) in the plant or to the emergency outfall, the monitoring program for the effluent and any nearshore discharge shall include the following in addition to the above schedule for sampling, measurement and analyses:
  - a. Composite sample for BOD and Total Suspended Solids.
  - b. Grab samples for Total Coliform, Settleable Matter and Oil and Grease.
  - c. Continuous monitoring of bypassed flow.
- 2/ In the event that sampling for oil and grease once every two weeks or less frequently shows an apparent violation of the waste discharge permit 30-day average limitation (considering the results of one or two day's sampling as a 30-day average), then the sampling frequency shall be increased to weekly so that a true 30-day average can be computed and compliance can be determined.
- 3/ Grab samples shall be taken on day(s) of composite sampling.
- 4/ If any sample is in violation of limits, sampling shall be increased for that parameter to weekly until compliance is demonstrated in two successive samples.
- 5/ Effluent coliform monitoring may be substituted for monthly receiving water monitoring as specified in Effluent Limitation B.4.
- 6/ Data shall be reported using forms provided or approved equivalent. Chlorine residual analyzers shall be calibrated against grab samples as frequently as necessary to maintain accurate control and reliable operation. If an effluent violation is detected, grab samples shall be taken every 30 minutes until compliance is achieved.
- 7/ These parameters shall be tested for on the same composite sample used for the bioassy. Unionized ammonia shall be calculated for each sample, and method of calculation indicated.
- 8/ Daily records shall be kept of the quantity and solids content of dewatered sludge disposed of and the location of disposal.
- 9/ Chemical analyses to be reported as ug/g-dry weight and conducted using procedures of Baseline Study for 12 months.\*

Physical analyses to include all Baseline study parameters; percent mortality shall length, animal weight, tissue volume, tissue weight, gonad weight, and gonad index. A final report comparing pre and past discharge monitoring is to be submitted to the Regional Board within 60 days of completion of this study.

\*Mussel study to be delayed until Fiscal year 1984-85 or indefinately pending completion of an Industrial Waste Survey and Non-Industrial Source Control Program acceptable to the Executive Officer and evaluation of 1983-84 effluent toxicant data.

